

REQUEST FOR FILING A PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)
Attorney Docket: 056205.50339C1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No. 09/943,385

Filed on August 31, 2001

Of Kohei KATO et al.

Entitled: MULTI-LEAF COLLIMATOR AND MEDICAL SYSTEM INCLUDING ACCELERATOR

Examiner: Richard H. Kim

Group: 2882

- ☒ 1a.. Accompanying this order is a new specification and drawings, that does not contain any subject matter that would have been new matter in the prior application.
Total pages of specification, claims and abstract: 57
Total pages of drawings: 12
- ☐ 1b. Accompanying this order is a true copy of the prior application as originally filed.
Total pages of specification, claims and abstract:
Total pages of drawings:
- ☐ 2. New Formal drawings are being filed herewith consisting of sheet(s), depicting Figures .
- ☒ 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney:
- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☒ Copy from prior application
- i. ☐ Deletion of Inventors - signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application

X 4. Incorporation by Reference:

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

— 5. Cancel original claims .

— 6. Small entity status:

a. — A small entity statement is enclosed

b. — A statement of small entity status (copy attached) was filed on — in the prior application and status as a small entity is still proper and desired.

c. — Is no longer claimed

X 7. The filing fee is calculated below:

**CLAIMS AS FILED, INCLUDING ANY CLAIMS
CANCELLED OR ADDED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Basic Fee							<u>\$385</u>		<u>\$770</u>			
Total Claims	<u>15</u>	-	20	=	<u>0</u>	x	9	=	\$	18	=	\$
Ind. Claims	<u>8</u>	-	3	=	<u>5</u>	x	43	=	\$	86	=	\$430.00
<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>						+	140	=	\$	280	=	\$
Total									\$			\$1200.00

— 8. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #___) in the amount of \$___.

X 9. A check in the amount of \$1200.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

X 10. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #056205.50339C1).

- X 11. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/943,385, filed August 31, 2001.--
- X 12. Priority of Appln. No. 2001-021964, filed in Japan on January 30, 2001, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
- X 13. A certified copy of each said priority document was filed in application Serial No. 09/943,385 on August 31, 2001.

X 14. The prior application is assigned of record to Hitachi, Ltd.

X 15. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

Herbert I. Cantor, Reg. No. 24,392; James F. McKeown, Reg. No. 25,406; Donald D. Evenson, Reg. No. 26,160; Joseph D. Evans, Reg. No. 26,269; Gary R. Edwards, Reg. No. 31,824; and Jeffrey D. Sanok, Reg. No. 32,169.

X a. The power appears in the original application papers in the prior application.

— b. Since the power does not appear in the original application papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

— c. Attached is a duplicate of a Supplemental Declaration which was filed in the prior application to overcome informalities.

X d. Address all future correspondence to:

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X 16. Forms PTO-892 and PTO-1449 listing prior art made of record in the prior application are attached. A copy of each of the listed references should be available in the prior application file.

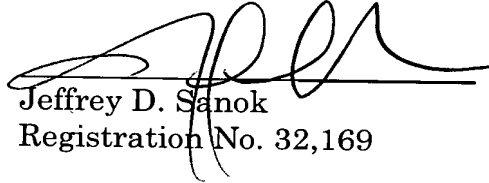
— 17. A Preliminary Amendment is being filed herewith.

X 18. Return Receipt Postcard.

☒ 19. Other: Information Disclosure Statement

Respectfully submitted,

October 2, 2003


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